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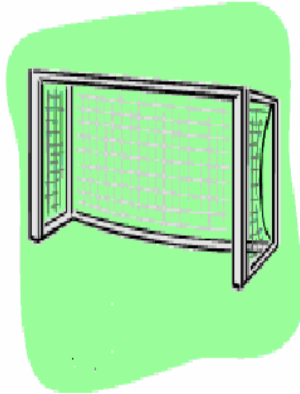## NEW JERSEY STATEWIDE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEM

We are near the goal line…

As of January 2006, Covansys took over control of the SVRS application development process and committed to provide the majority of the outstanding functionality by February 15th. I'm happy to report that Covansys delivered on that commitment. On February 16th we began User Acceptance Testing (UAT) on the updated build of the SVRS system. On Febraury 28th, Covansys delivered a vastly improved version of the absentee voter module which we tested on March 1st and 2nd. Over 50 representatives from 14 different counties volunteered to help us with the UAT process and we are grateful for their time and commitment. We uncovered some bugs during UAT, all of which will be fixed prior to full deployment, but overall the application is working well.

Over the next few weeks, Covansys will be conducting workshops to introduce you to the DataView process. DataView will be a useful tool to help you convert to SVRS as efficiently as possible. Please see the "What's a DataView" article in this newsletter for more information.

Later this month we will begin the final data pulls and deployment process. Pilot counties are up and running with a live version of the SVRS application. By the end of May, New Jersey's SVRS will be fully deployed and operational. We have done a tremendous amount of work during the first two months of 2006 and I'm proud of the progress that we've made. The next few months will be both challenging and exciting as we fully deploy the SVRS application. I thank you for your ongoing support and perseverance during this critical time.

-- Mike Gallagher (HAVA Project Manager**)**

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Special thanks to the following people, who have been generous with their time and suggestions during UAT and other SVRS related activities:

Gianine Narvaez (Essex) – For her positive spirit and continuous support in sharing her wealth of knowledge with the SVRS project team to resolve application issues.

Trish Misura (Ocean) – For her hard work and commitment to the pilot absentee data validation process.

Linda Pino (Middlesex) and Cathie McMahon (Burlington) – For their dedication and diligence during User Acceptance Testing for the new build of the SVRS application.

What's Happening With …

… Hardware, Software and Environment?

➤ "Operation DC" (Operation Desktop Consolidation) began in January, and continued through February. So far, eight counties have completed the process. The team is in progress with four counties currently, and nine counties remain to be addressed by the team. Please contact Matt Sibenik at 609-588-8679 for any questions regarding this process.

…Conversion?

➤ Final Data Pulls have been completed for the Pilot counties, and their data is currently being converted to the production database. These counties will Go Live in early March.

➤ A new schedule for the Final Pulls of data and Go Live dates for all remaining counties was developed, and new County Level Implementation Plans (CLIPs) reflecting these dates were distributed in late January to each county office.

…Training?

➤ Track 2 Training (SVRS Functional System Training) is scheduled for the seven counties not yet trained. See your CLIP for dates and locations. Roster planning will be done by the training manager closer to your scheduled training date.

➤ For counties who have already received their Track 2 Training, training for new/changed functionality will be done during your Go Live support period. Refresher training will be done as needed during this time. Updated manuals will also be distributed during Go Live.

➤ SVRS Training for the Municipal Clerks has been scheduled for those counties not yet trained. This applies to approximately 300 clerks, and their training dates are scheduled according to their respective county's scheduled Go Live date.

… User Acceptance Testing (UAT)?

➤ UAT was conducted from Feb 16th through February 23rd. Approximately 40 people from 10 counties participated. Over 400 test scripts were processed, and all modules except Absentee and Redistricting were tested.

➤ UAT for the newly redesigned Absentee Module was conducted on March 1st and 2nd. Over 30 people from 12 counties participated.

➤ Testing of known issues from the first round of UAT and from the Pilot implementations was also completed, to ensure that known issues were resolved.

What's a DataView?

What if you could look at SVRS Reports containing your data several weeks or months before your actual go-live?

The purpose of the DataView process is to convert the data from one of your earlier data pulls and produce reports from SVRS for you to review for potential data conversion issues. We learned during the pilot go-lives that a lot of time was used validating and correcting data which took away from the time available to make sure the users were comfortable with their new SVRS. This lesson that we learned during the pilots is the primary reason for the DataView process - to facilitate a more focused and graceful transition to the SVRS.

You play an important part in this DataView and we need your expertise. During the next month or so, we will schedule a DataView workshop to describe the DataView process in detail and provide you with the reports you will use during the review. Additionally we will explain the common data conversion issues that we have seen to date. At the completion of the workshop, you will take the reports and compare them with data in your current system identifying potential data problems. You will be given approximately 1-week to complete your review so that any changes you find can be incorporated into the conversion programs. A member of the Change Management Team will be assigned to facilitate your review.

Several counties are currently involved in the DataView and are finding some corrections which will be incorporated into their final data pull. Spending a little time now to identify potential problems will make your go-live a lot easier.

If you have any questions or want more information about the DataView, call or email Mary Jo Goetz at (609) 588-2541 or mgoetz@covansys.com.

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Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb

3/01/05 – 4/15/05 Phase 1 – Project Initiation Phase
- ✓ Project Kickoff Meeting - complete 03/09/05
- ✓ Detailed Project Planning – complete 3/14/05
- ✓ Electio*Net* Demo – complete 3/16/05

3/09/05 – 6/03/05 Phase 2 – Business Needs Assessment / Gap Analysis
- ✓ JAD Sessions – complete 4/15/05
- ✓ Requirements Documents Accepted – complete 6/3/05
- ✓ Initial site surveys & site visits – complete 5/12/05

5/03/05 – 8/19/05 Phase 3 – Design and Implementation Planning
- ✓ Technical architectures & database design – complete 8/3/05
- ✓ Pilot and other install schedules - complete 8/3/05
- ✓ Training surveys and schedules - surveys complete 7/21/05, schedules complete 7/26/05 & training locations final 8/12/05

5/09/05 – 3/10/06 Phase 4 – Software Modification and Testing
- ✓ Finalize Implementation Plans –CLIPs for all counties complete 1/27/06
- ❑ Conduct User Acceptance Training and Testing – in progress

8/18/05 – 3/15/06 Phase 5 – Pilot Implementation
- ✓ Host install of Hardware and Software – complete 10/26/05
- ❑ Conduct final data conversion – in progress
- ✓ Train pilot users – completes 10/06/05; refresher training during Go-Live support
- ❑ Validate, correct and eliminate duplicates to converted SVRS data – in progress

11/08/05 – 05/19/06 Phase 6 – Staged Rollout & Deployment
- ✓ Host install of Hardware and Software – complete 11/15/05
- ❑ Conduct final data conversion
- ❑ Train users – in progress
- ❑ Validate, correct and eliminate duplicates to converted SVRS data

3/14/05 – 05/19/06 Phase 7 – Conversion and Interfaces
- ✓ Identify data needs
- ❑ Test, populate, validate, cleanse and refine data - in progress

5/1/06 – 6/30/06 Phase 8 – Project Wrap-up and Transition to Maintenance & Support
- ❑ Accept Technical Documentation
- ❑ Complete Operational Transition to new SVRS

Maintenance & Support
(through March 2008)